

10 a.m. Worship Service - July 29 - 150th Anniversary Celebration Service

**SERIES:** “The Essentials” from the Book of Hebrews

**Preachers:** Rev. Dr. Atef Gendy, Tim Jones, Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:19-25, 32-36 (*New Testament pp. 214-215*)

**Title:** Enduring Hope

10 a.m. Worship Service - August 5

**Preachers:** Rev. Henry Coates

**Scripture:** Hebrews 11:1-7 (*New Testament p. 215*)

**Title:** The Dimensions of Faith

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## Highlights

Join us after the service this morning for our 150th Anniversary celebration brunch in Roy Hall on the 2nd floor. The event is open to everyone and is free of charge. Refreshments will also be available in the Dining Room for those who cannot stay for the brunch. We will hear from some of our special guests who have come from around the world to celebrate with us. No reservation is necessary!

An intergenerational campfire get-together will be held this evening in the FPCE parking lot from 6:30 to 8:30 pm (weather permitting). We’ll be making s’mores, hanging out with friends, and singing camp songs! Contact Pastor Amanda with questions.

**Registration for Vacation Bible School at First Pres is open and spots are filling up!** Children age 3 through current 5th grade students are invited to join us at church August 6-10 from 9-11:45 am each day. For more information and how to register see inside under the Children and Families section.

**Images inspired by our current teaching series “The Essentials” are now on Instagram under #fpcessentials.** Post your photo or other image inspired by this week’s Essential on Instagram and don’t forget to tag #fpcessentials. To participate: 1) Log in (or sign up) at Instagram.com; 2) Follow fpcevanston (we’ll post each week) and #fpcessentials; 3) Upload your Essentials-inspired photo and tag #fpcessentials. 4) Check #fpcessentials and/or the display in the Narthex to see what we share on our journeys.

## Worth Noting

Three guests representing FPCE partner organizations are participating in this morning’s service. Helping to present the sermon are Rev. Dr. Atef Gendy and Tim Jones. Dr. Gendy is president of Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo Egypt; Jones is the executive director of Good News Partners, in Chicago. Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb brings a greeting from our our sister church, Christmas Lutheran in Bethlehem. Dr. Raheb is the immediate former senior pastor there and now president of Dar-al-Kalima University of the Arts and Culture.

As part of our 150th Anniversary celebration, a photo exhibit of the 2001 renovation of the Sanctuary is on display in the Narthex. The photos (taken by Bill Floyd) show a wide variety of the work in progress as well as an image from the dedication service. The exhibit will be on display through August 20.

This morning, a 150th Anniversary Coloring Book of FPCE stained glass windows is being made available. The book is compiled from black and white images of various panels of the north and south Sanctuary windows. Corresponding Bible verse references are included with each image, making the books an excellent family devotional tool. Each child attending Children’s Worship this morning will receive a copy; to obtain your own copy to give to a child, a grandchild, or a friend, visit the table near Roy Hall during this morning’s brunch.

The Parish Nurse Book Club will meet on Tuesday, August 7, 1:30-3 pm in room 102. We will be reading *As Bright as Heaven* by Susan Meissner.

Save the date for the FPCE All-Church Vespers and BBQ, 4 pm, Sunday, August 12 at Dawes Park. More details to come!

The FPCE Women’s Ministry will host its annual retreat on October 20 at Sunset Ridge Country Club. Author, singer and speaker Kim Tabor will present on the topic “Who Am I!” from Proverbs 18:21. More details will be available soon!



## Missions

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## Pray for Our

### Mission Partners

**Please join women across Africa to pray and fast every Wednesday, to hear God's voice.** We are asking the Lord to pour His grace out on the women's leaders in Africa to be able to come together in September for Tumekutana. We know Satan does not want women to embrace having been created in God's image. So please pray fervently that each and every woman who wishes to do so might attend, and that every barrier be removed.

**You can help support Souper Saturday.** Save the date and join us, Saturday morning, September 8, Jackson Park for the Hunger Walk (sponsored by Greater Chicago Food Depository). We receive contributions for every walker who participates. More details (transportation from First Pres parking lot and times) to follow. Please direct question to Kris Economos 847-475-0226 or kriseconomos@yahoo.com.

**Thank you for your generous donations to the Deacons Clothes Closet. However, please hold back donations for women's clothing until at least September.** We still can accept bath towels, sheets, and comforters and large size mens jeans and shirts. Please no suits nor dress shirts. Indicating the size on masking tape to the outside would be helpful!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/serve/in-the-world/>

## Prayer in the Parlor

The Parlor on the second floor is open each Wednesday for prayer and meditation from 9 am to 9 pm. All are welcome to come and spend time in prayer and praise in the space set aside for a holy time with God.

## Children and Families

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**Youth Volunteers are being sought for Vacation Bible School, August 6-10.** This is a great way to spend time with other First Pres youth, relive your childhood memories of VBS and serve the church. (For those needing community service hours, this is a fun way to earn them!) Contact Pastor Amanda to sign up: agolbek@firstpresevanston.org.

**Registration for Vacation Bible School at First Pres is open!** Children age 3 through current 5th grade students are invited to join us at church August 6-10 from 9-11:45 am each day. Our theme this year is "Shipwrecked," where kids discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Register today at <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/first-kids-camps/>

**The Children's wing of our education building is only open to children and the adults who accompany them.** The Evanston Police Department has encouraged us to keep our children's wing closed to the general public. Congregational members are encouraged to begin using the bathrooms either downstairs (youth lounge level) or upstairs (Roy Hall level) on Sunday mornings.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/>

## Employment at FPCE

First Pres Evanston is seeking to fill the following employment opportunities:

**Custodian** (Full Time)  
**Worship Band Director** (Part Time)  
**Organist** (Part Time)

Visit the employment page on the FPCE website for details.

## Youth and Families

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**Support the youth ministry by donating popsicles, or s'more fixings (marshmallows, chocolate, graham crackers) for future youth/family events.** Financial donations work, too! See Pastor Amanda for details. All donations are greatly appreciated as we seek to offer fellowship opportunities for the youth!

**The FPCE Youth summer calendar is now available online at <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/youth-summer-calendar-2018/> and in print on the youth table across from the library.**

**Car Magnets for sale at the Front Desk!** You can show your FPCE pride by purchasing an FPCE car magnet for \$5. Proceeds go to FPCE's Children's and Youth Ministries.

*More details about Youth events can be found in our weekly email. Text YOUTHGROUP to 42828 to subscribe!*

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/students/>

## Anniversary Art Exhibit underway

The FPCE Arts Ministry is putting on a show of members' art in all kinds of mediums, including painting, photography, needlework, collage, and calligraphy. Come see it in the second floor hallway! The exhibit is part of our 150th Anniversary celebration, and will be on display through Sunday, September 16.

## Young Adults and Families

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**A women's basketball pick-up game is held at 7:30 pm on the first Thursday of each month in Roy Hall.** All skill levels and abilities are welcome! Reach out to Kathy Grant, kgrant@depaul.edu with any questions.

**Join Pastor Henry and other FPCE Young Adults for Trivia Night at World of Beer 1601 Sherman Ave, Evanston, every Wednesday night at 7:30 pm!**

**Young adult ladies are invited to meet at Cupitol Coffee and Eatery every other Thursday, 7-9 pm, for a time of Bible study and prayer (and yummy treats!).** Our next gathering will be Thursday, August 2. Contact Pastor Amanda with questions (agolbek@firstpresevanston.org).

**Pastor Henry's intergenerational book group has begun, but it's not too late to join!** Our first book is Dostoevsky's *Crime and Punishment*. All are welcome to join in the reading and discussion. We meet at Cupitol Coffee & Eatery, 812 Grove Street, Evanston. Contact Pastor Henry for details.

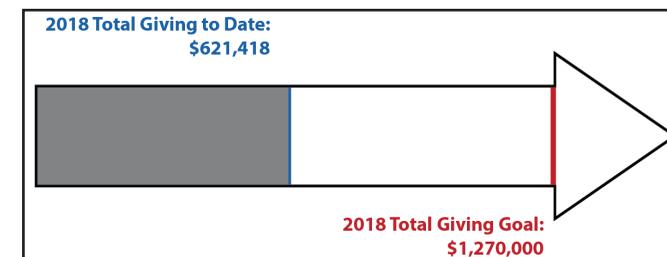
**Grab lunch with Pastor Henry after any of our worship services this summer!** Just reach out to him before or after church.

**Family Open Gym - Thursdays, 4-7 pm, Roy Hall**  
Open for parents and their children to come run around, shoot some baskets, play some games. No need to RSVP; just show up and have a great time!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/young-adults/>

## Stewardship

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